



PATENT
Attorney Docket No.: DIVER1280-14

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: William Michael Lafferty Art Unit: 1634
Application No.: 09/894,956 Examiner: B.J. Forman
Filed: June 27, 2001 Confirmation No.: 7268
Title: CAPILLARY ARRAY-BASED SAMPLE SCREENING

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for the above-identified application please find:

1. Response to Office Action mailed November 17, 2004 (8 pgs.); and
2. Return Receipt Postcard.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8	
I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail on this date, February 14, 2005 , in an envelope addressed to: MAIL STOP AMENDMENT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.	
<u>Lisa E. Jambeau</u> (Name of Person Mailing Paper)	
<u><i>Lisa E. Jambeau</i></u> (Signature)	<u>February 14, 2005</u> (Date)

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Applicant claims **SMALL ENTITY** status in the above-identified application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.27, a verified statement claiming small entity status is not required.


The Fee for this Response is calculated as follows:

For	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	Calculations
Total Claims	11	43	0	x \$09	x \$18	\$0
Independent Claims	1	9	0	x \$43	x \$86	\$0
Multiple Dependent Claim(s)	N/A			\$145	\$290	\$0
					TOTAL FEE	\$0

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this paper. However, if a fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fee associated with the filing submitted herewith, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 07-1896. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: February 14, 2005



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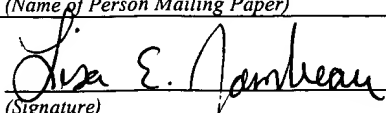
RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office action of November 17, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page two of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page four of this paper.

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